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Trend Of Events To Populism.

E. Benjamin Andrews, president of Brown University, has been dismissed for his friendly leaning towards free silver, commenting upon the same. The London Daily Chronicle says:

There is no doubt, like Professor Bemis, who was dismissed from the University of Chicago, President Andrews was dismissed because he warned his countrymen against the growth of gerat monopolies.

It seems certain that a conflict is approaching that will shake the Union as it was shaken by the great slavery question. It looks as though the splendid millionaire endowments of American universities had the unworthy motive of the promotion of the interest of the monopolists. We anticipate a great wave of opinion against the pretensions of the monopolistic class as dangerous to freedom. This movement will lead to the substitution of public for private control and ownership of the big trusts and monopolies and the substitution of State for private colleges and universities.

The farmers state alliance will be held at Dallas, August 17, 18 and 19. An interesting program has been announced.

Populist Convention

Roanoke, Va., July 29.—The populist state convention to-day nominated Capt. Edward R. Cocke of Cumberland for lieutenant governor. No other nominations were made, but a committee was appointed to name men for other places on the ticket in the event that the democrats decline to fuse.

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There is no reason for being despondent and considering diseases of the blood incurable, simply because the treatment of physicians and many so-called blood remedies fail to effect a cure. Though it is naturally disheartening to the sufferer who faithfully takes the prescribed treatment of the physicians, often at the expense of hundreds of dollars, to find himself, no better as time goes by, still a cure will result from the right remedy, S.S.S., no matter what other treatment has failed.

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LOCALS.

Miss Bennie Parker visited in Anna last week.

Mr. W. C. Blank of Plano was in the city last Saturday.

Mrs. R. L. Parker visited in Anna and Sherman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Parker visited in McKinney this week.

Miss Eula Plemmons came up from Plano Sunday.

Ben Oats spent several days in Farmersville this week.

R T. Seay has gone on a month's trip to Rosewell N. M.

Miss Fannie Jackson left Monday for her home in Ladonia.

Miss Judith English is visiting in Sherman.

Miss Frankie Oates has returned from a two weeks visit to Wylie.

G. C. Thompson is among the sick this week.

Misses Lula and Della Allison have returned from Giamesville.

J. L. Chambers, of Rock Hill, was here Monday.

Miss Virgie Gay returned to Nevada Monday.

Tot England visited us Tuesday. He will not teach next year.

The Misses Butler of Allen visited Miss Alwilda Coffey the latter part of last week.

Master Jim Morris, of Bonham, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Todd.

Bert Lehman, of the Farmersville Sentinel, was a caller on us this week.

J. O. Smith is teaching a class in vocal music at Upper Rowlett school house.

W. J. Adams is slowly regaining strength lost in a four weeks attack of fever.

Mrs. A. Crozier of Gainesville and Mrs. Mary Matthews of Plano visited Mrs. D. J. Martin this week.

Miss Lora Harris of Farmersville was the guest of Mrs. J. L. Franklin this week.

Miss Effie Hines of Farmersville is the guest of her friend Miss Sue Barnes in this city.

Miss Pet Scott, of Wylie, is a guest at the home of her uncle, County Clerk J. A. Walden.

J. B. Dorsey, of Valley View, is spending a few days with relatives in McKinney.

Miss Jennie Burns returned to Wylie Sunday, after a visit to Miss Emma Walden.

For the next year at least THE DEMOCRAT will pay weekly visits to Mrs. M. E. Spurgeon, of Ardmore, I. T.

Mrs. I. A. Armstrong has returned from a visit to her former home at Rogersville Tennessee.

Will Edwards a city typo was in Fairfield last Sunday with his kodak gathering in snap shots.

The local option election at Wylie resulted as follows: For local option 55, against 58.

On July 29 heavy rains fell in New Jersey creating floods which did much damage along streams.

Mr Thurston Jones has added an elegant new woodshed to his home in Fairfield.

T. M., William and Alfred Wilson are sojourning in the fruit and grape sections along Red river for a few days.

Rev. Z. V. Lyles and lady of Eagle Pass are in the city, guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fox.

We regret that we were absent when our good friend R. C. Dial of Greenville Banner visited our office last week.

Lew Moore and daughters, Misses Emma and Sophia, departed Tuesday for Tennessee, via S. S.& S. and Cotton Belt routes.

Miss Joe B. Davis entertained Misses Nellie Alderson and Eula Rike of Farmersville during the Epworth League Conference.

Mrs. C. D. Hays of Wylie is visiting her father ex-county treasurer Brawly Oates and family.

Quite a jam of people were in town Monday. They were not all here solely for the purpose of horse trading either so the merchants say.

State Epworth League Secretary Gus W. Thomasson of Van Alstyne and Miss Sears of Whitewright were guests of Mrs. Ed Newsome during the League Conference.

Harve McDuffie and family have returned to Sherman after a few days visit to the editor of this paper and wife.

Dr. S. H. Abbott and little son, Charley, have returned from Cincinnati. Miss Margie Lovejoy did not return, but will prolong her visit in the North.

G. R. Yantis has returned to Brownwood, Tex., after a visit of a few days to his daughters, Mesdames T. J. Melton and Jno. G. Davis in this city.

Hugh McDonald is about again, having nearly recovered from the accident occuring to him a few weeks ago at the artesian well engine.

Hon. J. R. Gough went to Waco to attend the Blake conference but arrived in the Geyser city just too late. The "conference" had adjourned and our Jim was left to nurse his lieutenant governor boom all alone.

A mule team became tangled in the harness last Saturday evening on the public square. The owner while trying to manage them also became tangled in the harness and might have been killed but for the timely cutting of straps by rescuers. The scene attracted a large crowd.

Mr. Mans Wilmeth and family of Vineland neighborhood stayed with J. T. Darnall last night. He said his father, J. B. Wilmeth organized the Christian church which has recently been moved to build a new one in 1848.—Pilot Point Post-Mirror.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Smith returned Monday from a visit to the former's parents in Robertson county. They took the three-S passenger for their home at Princeton.

W. J. Walker deputy Head Council Woodmen of the World instituted a camp at Wylie last week with the following officers: Charles F. Bishop C. C., W. H. Brigham A. L., J. T. Marshall Clerk, Charles Andyhub, Banker, J. T. Nichols, Escort, M. T. Blackman, Watchman, C. M. Bishop, Sentinel, J. L. Maxwell, Medical Examiner, J. L. Maxwell, W. H. Brigham, M. F. Blackburn, Manoples.

Death of Old Jeff.

"Old Jeff," the venerable pony of Hugh Dowell, turned his hoofs to the daisies last week after a consecutive existence of 26 years. Old Jeff was the property of the lamented Ex-Gov. Throckmorton for many years and by him given to his grandson Hugh Dowell a few years ago. Cystitis was the fatal malady that ended Old Jeff's earthly career, and the burial took place a few hours later under the auspicies of his grief-stricken jockey friends.

Why Editors are Unbelievers.

Dr. Talmage gives the following sensible reasons why skepticism exists among the newspaper men: "One of the greatest trials of the newspaper profession is that its members are compelled to see more of the shame of the world than any other profession. Through all the newspaper offices passes day after day all the wickedness of the world, all church bickerings, all vanities that want to be repaired, and all the mistakes that want to be corrected and all the dull speakers that want to be eloquent, all the meanness that wants to get its name noticed gratis in its columns, in order to save the tax of the advertising column; all the men who wish to be set right; all the crack-brained philosophers with stories as long as their hair and as gloomy as their faces. Through the editorial and reportorial rooms all the follies and shame of the world are seen day after day and the temptation is to believe in neither God, man nor woman. It is no surprise to me that in this profession there are skeptics. I only wonder that journalists believe anything."

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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FARMERSVILLE BUDGET.

Alaskan Fever.—Local Option Speaking.—Runaways and Newsy Items.

Farmersville, July 27, 1897.

Dr. D. H. Hancock of this city and R. C. Dial of Greenville addressed the voters of Wylie last Saturday night on the subject of Local Option.

Rev. Mr. Kimsey had a runaway last Sunday while on his way here to preach. His buggy was demolished and he sustained several injuries.

Last Sunday morning the circumcision ceremony was performed on the baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Coen of this city. J. Coen of Dallas, father of Jake, performed the ceremony.

Robert B. Hall reports a pleasant trip to Mineral Wells.

Miss Smith, a niece of Mrs. Julia Hardin, is visiting the latter this week.

W. B. Lane of Nevada was in the city Saturday.

Theo. Edwards of Waxahachie is visiting friends and relatives here.

C. M. Stidham and wife of Campbell visited here last week. They returned to their home last Monday.

Miss Bettie Hardin is visiting in Nashville, Tennessee, and Columbia. She will possibly return in two or three weeks.

Miss Sallie Hardin is rusticating in West Tennessee.

If you wish to know anything about the art of coon hunting or fishing just call on Jim Bumpass, Bill Wyatt, or Dan Neathery. They caught fourteen last week on Duck lake and then only took in those in small trees, leaving many in large timber.

Noah Jesse, tried and bound over some time ago in our J. P. court, was rearrested Saturday and carried to McKinney. He is charged with wantonly shooting a cow, the property of W. W. Pollard near Boggy.

Some of our boys seem to have a good case of gold fever, and judging from their talk they will be off to the chilly climes of Alaska.

Rev. Mr. Daugherty of Montgomery, W. Va., has been called as pastor of the Baptist church at this place.

Miss Blanch Battle returned last week from Hico where she has been visiting friends and relatives.

S. Humphreys and family were in the city a few days last week guest of E. R. Maxey. Seib returned home Monday by way of Greenville. We are glad to learn that there is strong probability that Mr. Humphreys will buy cotton in Farmersville this year.

Mrs. Lawrett and Mrs. Seymour Neathery went to McKinney Monday.

Geo. Hardin and W. T. Pryor went to court at McKinney Monday.

Hon. Frank Vaughan and Dr. Burt had a runaway experience last Friday. While returning from McKinney the horses ran away and began kicking. Dr Burt jumped from the buggy, but Frank stayed with the team till the buggy collided with a stump, and the horses breaking away left Frank alone in his glory and monarch of all he surveyed. Fortunately no bones were broken and no serious harm except a considerably hard fall and shaking up of Dr. Burt, a good scare for Frank and a badly demolished buggy.

ORIENT.

Making Ready to Start

Terrell, Kaufman Co., Tex., July 29.—N. H. Johnson of Royse City, who has agreed to walk around the world in twelve months on a wager, is here to-day arranging for his departure on Aug. 6.

The following is a copy of a letter in his possession, signed by R. Z. Dyer, mayor of Royse City: Royse City, Tex., July 26, 1897. —E. B. Halman and L. M. Terry citizens of Royse, have wagered $5000 that Norman H. Johnson will start from Royse City, Tex., on Aug. 6, 1897. and will walk around the world under the following conditions, towit:

1. To walk when his progress is not barred by water.
2. To start with not more than 5 cents in his pocket or possession.
3. To neither beg, borrow nor steal on the road.
4. To return with not less than $3.
5. To make the trip in twelve months.
6. To bring back good proof that he made the trip according to agreement.

I affirm that Norman H. Johnson, the bearer of this letter, is 21 years old, five feet ten inches high, smooth face, dark complexion, weighs about 138 pounds, mole on right side of chin, one under and little in front of right ear, dark hair and gray eyes and stands erect. R. Z. DYER.
Mayor Royse City, Tex.

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Altoga Anthems.

Aug. 2, 1897.

The weather continues dry and hot.

Crops are badly in need of rain.

James Hicks of Farmersville was in Altoga the latter part of last week.

The Baptist protracted meeting is in full blast.

Rev. Huddleston assisted by Bro. Faulkner began a protract-meeting at Johnson Sunday night.

Mrs. Dallas and G. R. Goodner left Thursday for Altus, O. T. where they will stay for some weeks.

Drs. Dobbs & Wright went to McKinney to-day.

Mrs. Levi Dunn of Nevada is visiting her parents at this place.

Sam Hays of Blue Ridge is in our town today on business.

Mantooth & Collins are making some improvements on their gin, which was very much needed.

The three year old son of G. B. Dodson died last week and was buried at the Altoga graveyard.

J. N. Riley and Miss Robbie Benton were united in marriage Sunday. Everybody joins in wishing them a prosperous and pleasant married life.

QUEN SABE.

Honor Roll.

The following named persons have our sincere thanks for subscriptions received:

J. C. Dunn,
Mrs. C. P. Ware,
R. D. Tompkins,
G. Y. Melton,
W. A. Parker,
Chas Snyder,
J. O. South,
G. M. D. Williams,
Mrs. M. E. Sterrett,
E. R. Hall,
J. M. Pearson,
J. G. Barnes,
Doc Turner,
W. B. Kindell,
U. P. Clardy,
L. W. Wiley,
D. A. Crouch,
W. T. Cox,
W. W. Lacy,
J. F. Wester,
H. L. Sides,
J. B. Howard,
C. B. Moore,
R. W. Gribble,
G. M. Edwards,
J. D. Cox,
C. W. Noyes,
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Hon. Hugh McClellan has opened up a law office just west of the Foote House, over Rogers & Stacy's store. He will practice in all the courts, and will faithfully look after all business entrusted to his care. See his card in this issue.

One day last week, while engaged as opposing council in a case before the justice court at Plano, Attorney Bob Shelton and County Attorney Mangum indulged in a war of words and came to blows. There was an exciting scene enacted before the high tribune of justice, which resulted in a few bruises and a fine of each participant.

Charlie Anderson spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents at Prosper

Free Grass Grazings.

Aug. 2, 1897.

Hot, dry and all praying for rain.

Alonzo Pedon departed this life last week, leaving six children to mourn his death.

An infant of J. L. Mays died of whooping cough last week.

A protracted meeting is in progress at Bethlehem church.

Nathan Schooler of Fort Worth is visiting his brother Tom Schooler of Free Grass.

Miss Zora Dudley of Climax is visiting relatives here.

Rufus Brown was in this community Sunday.

Miss Ella Cashion has returned from a visit to Climax friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gailey's little baby died recently.

R. Woody of Hickman was a visitor with us Sunday.

The Christian congregation have just closed a successful meeting at Richards.

Rumor says we may soon have a store at Free Grass.

Mrs. Annie Oden is visiting her mother here this week.

Messrs. G. H. Helton, J. L. Mays, James Howard and others will start for Southern Texas tomorrow. They go for the purpose of prospecting and may move if they like the country.

There was a baptising at Pete McDonnell's Sunday at 4 o'clock.

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"	No. 16	2:40 p. m
"	No 4	5:58 p.m
"	Cannon Ball	9:48 p. m.

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THERE is decidedly a great feeling against interest bearing bonds.

JUDGE Reagan has announced as a candidate for the United States Senate.

HON. J. R. Gough spoke on the irrigation amendment in the court house Monday.

IN local option election held at Morgan Tex., Valley Mills Tex., and Meridian Tex., the two former went dry and the latter wet.

THOSE who stay away from the Klondyke gold region will have regrets when they read of ...ng there next winter.

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...n West Texas indi... ...e was not the una... ...of the irrigation ...vas claimed. The ...t against the ... representatives ...epresent their ...

...tmasters have ...ed in this ... Anna; ... son, ... Ira C... ...am, Melissa.

THE following pos... recently been appoin... county, J. W. Robi... J. W. Church; W... ...h, Pike; Mr ... organization re... commended all t... the above except the latter.

THE state democratic convention of Maryland met recently and was controlled by Senator Gorman who drafted the platform and read it before the convention. The platform demands "sound money" without naming the ratio. The silver element surrendered the 16 to 1 declaration in order to secure harmony.

WHAT do you think of the referendum as proposed by the populist party? ... was tried last Tuesday in Texas. Our representatives in the Texas legislature submitted to the people of Texas three amendments to be voted on and the result is different from the expressed wishes of a majority of our solons. If all important laws passed by legislature were referred back to the people a different state of things would exist. Readers, for the sake of better government and humanity investigate the referendum plan which has been successfully tried in this and other countries.

THE Southern Mercury is fast losing the confidence of its readers by its unwarranted attacks upon certain populists. Its covert attempt to discredid Editor Vincent of Indianapolis by quoting part of a letter and attempting to create a wrong impression discloses more treachery than patriotism, more selfishness than sincerity and certainly more gall than judgment. The Mercury must hue to the line of reason and consistency or else lose its power for good. We disagree with some populists as well as the Mercury, but we do not contend that we are the only turtle in the pond. Be fair in all things.

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Success of Hood's Sarsaparilla in curing others warrants you in believing that a faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you if you suffer from any trouble caused by impure blood.

Hood's

LEBA... ...ON SITTINGS.

...w Gin—Threshing Done—Death of a Child.

Lebanon Tex., Aug., 2nd. 1897. —There will be an Ice Cream supper atLower Rowlett next Saturday night, Aug. 7th.

Messrs. Collinsworth and Bumgardner are going to erect a new gin in Lebanon this fall,

The Methodist protracted meeting closed at Lebanon last Friday night.

Munroe Beasley and wife moved back in our neighborhood recently where he will live another year.

Mrs. Annie Bolin has been real sick.

Lon Canedy is visiting relations in Greer County.

Joe Collinsworth left in a wagon last week for Tennessee.

Again we come with a saddened and sympathetic heart, in relation of kind providence in his infinite mercy, seeing fit to take from earth another one of its brightest gems, in the untimely death of little "Oran," son of Mrs. Ottie Spradley. Little Oran was nearly three years old and was a bright and sweet little child, he had whooping cough with a complication of lung troubles. He passed away last Friday eve just before sunset. With the poet we would say:

His sufferings closed with the day.
Yet lived he at its close,
And breathed the long long night away
In statue like repose.

But when the sun in all its state,
Illumed the Eastern skies,
He passed through Glory's morning gate,
And walked in Paradise.

Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep,
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes.

A precious one, from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has recalled
The Boon his love had given,
And though the body moulders here,
The soul is safe in Heaven.

Rev. Ball of Allen conducted the last sad rites which took place at Rowlett church Saturday at 3 o'clock p. m. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to, and ...in the mother and relatives in ...sore bereavement.

F. Young and family ...nother and brother ... Mrs. E. ... visited her ... Sunday. ... family re... ...va Park ... Jno. Brownlee ... ed to their home in Io... recently.

Mrs. Annie Baker and babe visited her relatives in old Collin not long since.

Threshing is all over.

BIMET,

Bowlby Buds.

From Bowlby, Aug. 2nd. 1897. —Editor Democrat: The Cumberland Presbyterian meeting at ...lace was postponed until this p... before the fourth Saturday nigh... ...ount of one Sunday in Aug. on acc... of the preachers being sick.

Cotton is beginning to open in this part of the country, the crop is estimated at from 1-5 to 1-2 bale to the acre.

Dee Hickey and Joe Crutcher went to Dallas last week with two loads of Irish potatoes.

Several different parties have been grape hunting out on Elm this week they report a good crop of grapes this year.

Billie Pinkerton and family have returned from a visit to their brother about 200 miles south west of here.

Bob Duncan has gone on a fishing trip this week.

Mr. H. B. Graves and wife of Greenville is spending this week here with old friends and relatives we welcome uncle Huse and wife back in this neighborhood again as they have been gone about 3 years.

Jim Morell and family of Princeton are visiting Wm. Rutherford this week.

Several in this neigborhood have been attending the Protracted meeting at Rowlett the past week.

Several around here have La-Grippe now.

J A. Crutcher has lost a good many of his hogs lately with what is supposed to be cholera.

Will Mathews lost a valuable cow one day last week.

Mrs. Bob Duncan and sister Miss Eva Hartin are guests of Mrs. Jane Hickey today.

Jim Bryant is running his sorgum mill now.

Mrs. Horace Inge has been on the sick list.

been visiting in the flats and attending the sanctified meeting out there.

Miss Mattie Scroggins of Wood Lawn community spent last Friday night with Munroe Watson's family.

Earnest Ivy of New Mexico is visiting his sisters Mrs. Bob Duncan and Miss Eva Hartin.

CENTRAL.

RELIGIOUS.

Eld. H. C. Mears will begin a protracted meeting at Wetsel school house Saturday night, Aug. 14. Everybody invited.

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The Bethel, Denton county, Methodist camp-meeting will commence tomorrow.

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The Bates Holiness camp-meeting closed last Sunday resulting in about 100 conversions.

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Rev. Z. V. Lyles, of Eagle Pass, will preach Sunday at the Methodist church in this city. Go out and hear him everybody.

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The members of the Methodist church have tendered their pastor Rev. Martin, a month's furlough which he immediately entered upon. Leaving Tuesday, with Mrs. Martin and their little son Claude for Tennessee.

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St. Paul this county will soon have a new Methodist church in course of construction. Messrs. J. W. Smith and J. W. Morris were interviewing people on our streets and McKinney business men, Monday in its interest. Rev. N. C. Little is on the work.

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Rev. J. H. Wofford is convalescing from a few days illness. His church has very kindly granted him a vacation until the fourth Sunday in this month.

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Rev, Sid Williams concluded his series of meetings at Melissa, Sunday night. Eld. Bowen, the noted evangelist of the Christian church, began his meeting at the same place Sunday morning. The two noted revivalists held three services each during the day and both had large congregations to hear them.

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The Senior Epworth League held its monthly business meeting Monday evening. A vote of thanks was tendered the Knights of Pythias for the use of their hall as headquarters during the late conference and, also, Henry Em...son for painting sign. The following resolution was unanimously ...lowing ... ly passed. ...people of McKin... "Whereas, the ... ...ened their ney so generously o... ...mbers hearts and homes to the me... of the Greenville District League conference, and

Whereas, they so cheerfully and willingly assisted the McKinney League in the entertainment of the Greenville District League conference, therefore be it

Resolved, That the McKinney Chapter, 1084, E. L., M. E. C. South return to all who have so generously assisted and aided us, ...effelt thanks and further, ...richest blessings ...n the our hea... we pray God's ... upon those who aided ... work, and invoke God's choicest blessing upon the city of McKinney as the result of the District Conference just closed."

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The S., S. & S. and the Santa Fe railroads have made a rate of one and one-third fare for round trip, tickets on sale the 11th for all trains, and morning trains of the 12th, good to return on trains of the 13th. The program is now ready, and on it may be seen the names of Revs. J. H. Wofford and S. K. Hallam, McKinney; Miss Julia Greer, Anna; Miss Jessie Bateman, and T. E. Shirley, Melissa; Miss Lena Wolford, Allen; Miss Hattie Marshall, Bethany; Miss Linnie Crutcher, Rev. W. W. Martin, Jas. E. Thompson, A. P. Hughston, Plano; Rev. R. ... Phelps and Miss Minnie O. Wylie, Farm... ...sville, and others, but space forbids to mention their names. D. P. Johnson, of Farmersville, will deliver the address of welcome, and the response will be by Prof. S. H. Horne, of McKinney,. Eld. D. W. Pritchett, of Greenville, will preach the convention sermon, and Rev. J. Frank Smith, of Dallas, will deliver the convention address.

All the above have signified their intention of being present, unless prevented by some unknown cause, or Providential reason.

Farmersville has all things ready and is only waiting for August 11 and 12, for the best county convention of the year. The Endeavorers there have secured homes for 200 delegates, and are still at work canvassing, and will not cease till they have accommo-

The Walnut Grove campmeeting begins this week.

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Rev. J. E. H. Galbraith will fill his usual Greenville appointment next Sunday.

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In the absence of Mr. Perry assistant superintendent Dodson was in charge of the Baptist Sunday School, Sunday. Mr. Dodson made a fine talk on the subject of obedience. Morning and evening services were conducted by Rev. Masters recently of the Louisville Seminary, in the absence of the pastor. Rev. Masters preached very acceptably. Morning subject "Lord teach us how to pray." Evening theme "Christian strength." Good congregations at each service.

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The following item is published by request:

Dallas, Tex., June 1, '93.—Bro. M. T. Jackson, Ennis, Tex., Dear Brother:—In reply to your letter of inquiry about Bro H. C. Mears, will say his membership is at Mount Bird church, five miles northeast of Dallas. We have known Bro. Mears ever since he has been a member of the church, know him to be an honest, moral and upright Christian gentleman, a good preacher, opposed to any and all innovation that is now creating so much confusion in the church of Christ. We recommend him to you and hope you will not believe any report on him without a thorough investigation. We are glad to know that you have done this and think whenever you investigate his moral or Christian characer wherever he has been you will always hear a good report. We don't think you could do better than to employ him to preach for you, for we are confident that he will preach nothing he cannot give you a "thus sayeth the Lord" for.

JOHN MCCOMMAS,
FLISHA MCCOMMAS,
WM. MCCOMMAS,
L. D. FINEE,
Elders of Mt. Bird.

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Collin County C. E. Convention

McKinney, Collin Co., Tex., July 31.—(To The News.)—The Sherman, Shreveport and Southern and the Santa Fe railroads have made a rate of one and one-third fares for the round trip, tickets on sale on all trains of the 11th and morning trains of the 12th, good to return on all trains of the 13th. The program is now ready. Mr. D. J. Johnson of Farmersville will deliver the address of welcome, and the response will be by Prof. S. H. Horne of McKinney. Elder D. W. Pritchett of Greenville will preach the convention sermon, and the convention address will be delivered by Rev. J. Frank Smith of Dallas.

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PLUMMER HARRIS.

CASTORIA.

...is on every wrapper.

...signature of Chas. H. ...

The Election.

The state election to decide the fate of three constitutional amendmendment Tuesday was very quiet only about one tenth of the vote being cast at McKinney and stood follows:

For Irrigation	170
Against Irrigation	165
For Bonds	171
Against Bonds	164
For Railroads	120
Against Railroads.	205

The vote from the state as far as heard from is as follows:

For irrigation	23,383.
Against irrigation	19,532.
For validating school bonds	26 332
Against " " "	34,211
For Railway Bonds	15,957
" "	42,767.
Against "	...d a

The vote indicates beyon... doubt that all the amendments have been snowed under by big majorities.

Collin county voted against all the amendments, but it is impossible to get the complete vote at present writing.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dol-

COUNTY COURT.

Convenes In Regular July Term.—Docket Assignmet.—Proceedings.

CRIMINAL DOCKET.

State vs. Tom Davenport, violating local option law, trial by jury, fine $25 and twenty days in jail.

State vs. Chas. Love, aggravated assault, trial by jury, verdict not guilty.

State vs. Jack Crockett, aggrated assault, trial by jury, not guilty.

State vs. J. R. Wren, aggravated assault, not guilty.

State vs. Sid Foster violating local option law. Trial by jury not guilty.

State vs. John Scott violating local option law. Trial by jury, fine $25 and 20 days in jail.

State vs. J. W. Wilson, violating local option law, continued.

State vs. Henry Graves, disturbing religious worship, not guilty.

State vs. Geo. Winn, theft, not guilty.

State vs. Slater Hawkins, theft fined $5 and two hours in jail.

State vs. Noah Jesse, wounding stock, continued.

State vs. Jno. Bumgardner, continued.

State vs. Claude Tucker, aggravated assault and battery, not guilty,

State vs. Allen Rhine, escaped convict, not guilty.

State vs. Gabe Gilliard, theft, fine $10.

CIVIL DOCKET.

Boren & Stewart vs. J. A. Bryan, judgment revived.

J. T. Stovall vs. Ned Gullett, judgment for plaintiff.

M. C. Reecer vs. J. L. Moulden et al, judgment for defendant.

Court Notes

Ed H. Keen is back at his accustomed place in the county clerk's office and is court deputy for the present term.

The cases set for today being all continued, court adjourned yesterday until tomorrow.

Attorneys Vincent and Wilkins of Sherman attended court here this week.

All the dockets of the present term are quite lengthy, but are being disposed of at a satisfactory rate.

This Week's Jury List.

J T Andrews
Jno Chambers
W D O'Brien
Jno Hall
Jno W McKinney
W B Walden
A L Dunn
J D Hardaway
G W Brown
W J Jenkins
W J S Russell
F M Warden

Corner Stone Laying.

As we go to press the proceedings of the corner stone laying of the First Christian church of McKinney is in progress. A large crowd is present. A full account of the event will appear in next ... Democrat.

week's ...

Roseland Items.

The Examiner.

It is still very dry and hot.

Quite a number from this place attended the camp-meeting at Liberty Sunday.

Lee Robinson is on the sick list.

Ed Perkins and wife have gone to Denison to visit a sister living there.

A building is being put up at Alla to be used as a boarding-house.

Messrs. Russell, Cooper, and Light of Pilot Point were visiting in the neighborhood last Sunday.

Mr. Hoover and family have gone out west on a visit.

A FRIEND.

An ... Interesting Document.

Paper Containing the Names, Ages and Occupations of the Fifth Texas Legislature.

Kaufman, Tex., July 24.—An old slip of paper that has been stored away many years has just come into my possession that might be of interest to many old Texans. It is headed: "Members of the Fifth Legislature of Texas." There are thirty-three senators and eighty-nine representatives. The paper bears no date, but it gives the names, age, date they came to Texas, place of nativity place from whence they came, occupation and postoffice address of each senator and rep-

2, Connecticut 1, Germany 1, North Carolina 11, Alabama 8, Mississippi 6, New York 2, Louisiana 2, Pennsylvania 2, District of Columbia 1, South Carolina 11, Virginia 13, Illinois 3, Texas 2, Missouri 1, France 1.

Occupations of each: Farmers 68, merchants 4, teachers 1, lawyers 29, printers 2, engineer 1, physicians 6, mechanics 2.

The two native Texans in that body were James H. Durst, aged 34, a farmer from Rio Grande, City, Starr county, a member of the senate, and Burwell J. Lewis, aged 26, a lawyer from San Augustine, in the lower house. Several members of that legislature afterwards became men of much note and some acquired national fame.

Guy M. Bryan, age 31, from Missouri, was in the senate. Jeff Weatherford, age 43, a native of Tennessee, was senator from Dallas; William H. Martin, age 30, a lawyer from Georgia and Alabama, was senator from Athens. In the house of representatives were Hamilton P. Bee, 32 years old, who came to Texas from South Carolina in 1837, a merchant from Laredo; S. H. Darden, 36 years of age, from Mississippi in 1846, a planter from Gonzales; J. W. Ferris, age 30, a lawyer from New York in 1847, represented Cass county; Robert K. Gaston, age 41, a native of Tennessee, came to Texas from Mississippi in 1849, a farmer from Anderson county; Sam A Maverick, age 51, a native of South Carolina, came to Texas from Alabama in 1835, a lawyer from San Antonio; H. E. McCulloch, age 36, came from Tennessee in 1837, a farmer from Seguin; S. G. Parsons, age 53, from Louisiana in 1845, was from Warsaw Prairie, Kaufman county; Gustav Schleicher, age 29, an engineer, came from Germany to San Antonio in 1847

Among the list of representatives is the name of J. W. Throckmorton, age 28, a native of Tennessee, but came from Arkansas to Texas in 1841, occupation a physician, from McKinney, Collin county. The average ages of the representatives were 39½ years. The oldest was 57 and the youngest 23. The average ages of the senators was 39½ years. The oldest senator was 57, the youngest 30 years.

J. M. REAGAN.

W. F. Norman and Fred Cox have been arrested in Greenville on grand jury indictments for prejury in the Luttrell trial.

The streets leading to the new Christian church were thoroughly sprinkled last night, so the dust today at the corner stone ceremonies will not be as oppressive as it would have been. After the ceremonies of the Masons are over the people will repair to Andrew's park and spend the balance of the day picnicing.

Watch This space

Next Week. It belongs to

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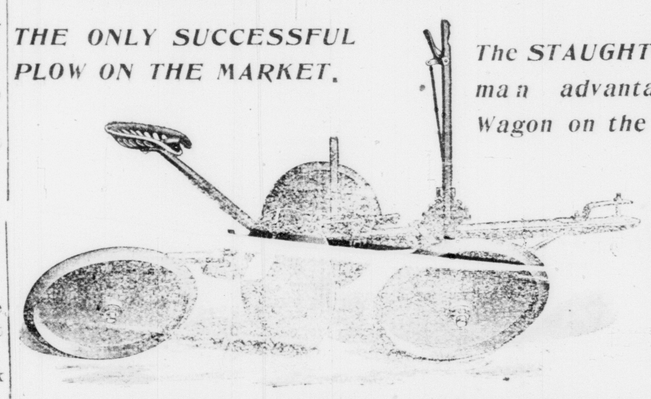

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The Waukegan Wire . . .

Runs further, is more pliant, and possesses more strength than any other Barb Wire on the market.

BUGGIES, CARTS, HARNESS AND SADDLES.

EVERYTHING BOUGHT DIRECT FROM FACTORY IN CAR LOTS. GETTING LOW FREIGHT RATES AND LOW PRICES ENABLES US TO MEET ALL COMPETITION

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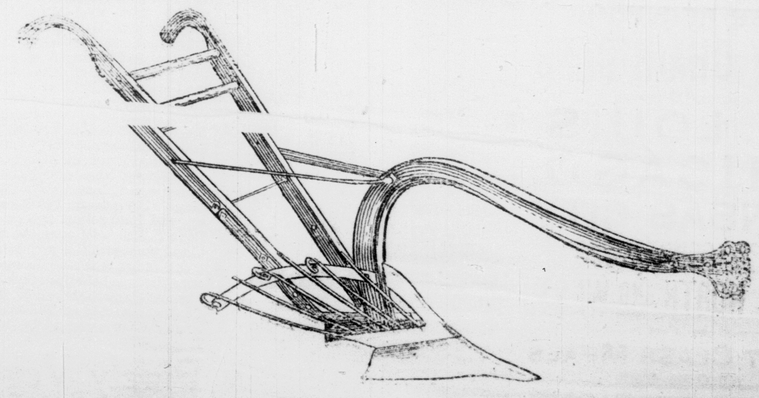
DO YOU WANT A GOOD THING



If you do, bring your plow and get a self-cleaning Moldboard attached to it. Manufactured by S. A. SMITH east of Phillips & Oates Livery stable.

To those living in malarial districts Tutt's Pills are indispensible, they keep the system in perfect order and are **an absolute cure** for sick headache, indigestion, malaria, torpid liver, constipation and all bilious diseases.

Tutt's Liver Pills

CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Allen Sundayed with Melissa friends.

Perfume, a good quality, 35c an ounce at Smith Bros.

Nickle Store, first door west of postoffice, solicits your trade.

Miss Annie Hood has returned to Plano after a visit to Miss Joe B. Davis.

Cut nails at two and a quarter cents per pound at J. P. Crouch & Co's.

A dozen kinds chill tonics at Smith Bros.

Lone Christie, a merchant of Allen, was in the city Monday.

We solicit a share of your grocery trade. Free delivery.
Goostree & Houston.

The Nickle Store stands unrivaled in Collin county as a bargain house.

Mandolin, Guitar, Baujo and Violin strings at Smith Bros.

Gano Horn was among the traders Monday with 3 or 4 horses.

No flies, cool breeze, Cold Soda and the best Ice Cream Soda in the city at our store. Smith Bros.

Useful and ornamental articles too numerous to mention at the Nickle Store.

E. H. Floyd a former reader of THE DEMOCRAT again enrolls his name on our list.

No use running around asking Smith, Brown and Jones what to do for chills. Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic will cure you—cure you quickly and completely. Give it a trial. Guaranteed. Price 50 cents.

Save money by buying Groceries, Tinware, Lamp globes, Fruit jars and Cold Drinks at Mate Barnett's.

Many useful articles at the Nickle Store.

Bromo Seltzer and Thompson Wild Cherry phosphates at Smith Bros.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A fine Piano Case Organ at a bargain. Call at The Democrat office, McKinney, Tex.

The picnic to have been held Saturday Aug. 7 at Culleoka has been indefinitely postponed.

Karl's Clover Root Tea is a pleasant laxative. Regulates the bowels, purifies the blood. Clears the complexion. Easy to make and pleasant to take. 25 cts. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

SHOO FLY! Buy your screen windows and doors of J. P. Crouch & Co. Nothing save cool summer breezes can get through them.

We will pay our customers the highest market price for cotton
Goostree & Houston.

George W. Taylor will preach at the Fairfield school house next Sunday night.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy always affords prompt relief. For sale by City Drug Store.

White mustard seed, Celery seed and Tameric at Smith Bros.

Look at the Estey and Camp & Co. Piano before you buy and be convinced of their superiority to other pianos.
J. T. Couch.

When you want to buy a house an lot in McKinney or a farm in the country call on F. W. Mack. Upstairs in Newsome building.

Immense stock of matting just received. All grades and qualities from the best Chinese to the cheapest at J. P. Crouch & Co's.

Ladies, Take the Best. If you are troubled with Constipation, Sallow Skin, and a Tired Feeling, take Karl's Clover Tea, it is pleasant to take. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

Does your house need painting? Go to Wilcox & Sons' **Lumber Yard** for Vane Calvert **Palace Car Colors**, the best paint "on earth;" also Collier's White Lead, **Pure** Linseed oil, Brushes, Window glass, etc.

Malvina Cream, Viola Cream and Derma Royal lotion at Smith Bros.

Messrs. Ike Swartz and George Quisenberry have returned from their summer vacation in the Rockies.

Be not deceived! A Cough, Hoarseness or croup are not to be trifled with. A dose of Shiloh's Cure will save you much trouble. Sold by Smith Bros 2

Ed Bomar is still with Goostree & Houston, where he would be pleased to see all his friends who are in need of Groceries.

Most of the leading physicians of the United States recommend soda water. Try that served from our fountain. you get pure fruit juices for flavor.
Smith Bros.

The post office and banks were closed Tuesday, it being a day for a general election throughout the state.

A few reasons why Cheatham's Tasteless Chill Tonic should be used. It is effective: it is harmless; it is pleasant to take; it is quick in its action; it is guaranteed to cure. Fifty cents.

For Sale or Trade

A complete scholarship in one of the best business colleges of Texas, located at Dallas. Call at The Democrat office for information.

Miss Dixie Umphress of Van Alstyne is the guest of her sister, Mrs H. L. Davis.

Miss Dollie McDonald, of Pilot Point is visiting her friend Miss Linnie Brooks in this city.

Carbolic Soap at Smith Bros.

The Old Reliable Nickle Store is a McKinney fixture. Its stock is varied and immense and bargains are to be had there in almost anything you may need in your household.

Just received, one car load of **Fresh Portland Cement**; also fire clay brick, sand, lime, etc. For sale cheap at Wilcox & Sons' **Lumber Yard.**

The Estey piano is taking the lead with sweet clear tone upon the same basis that placed the Estey organ ahead. First class material and superior workmanship. J. T. Couch.

For Sale Cheap.

One fine jack, team young mules and fine registered Jersey bulls. For further particulars apply at The Democrat office.

Pocket Books at Smith Bros.

Charlie Frierson is in the city. He will buy cotton here again the approaching season.

Dyspepsia Cured. Shiloh's Vitalizer immediately relieves Sour Stomach, Coming up of Food Distress, and is the great kidney and liver remedy. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

The H. & T. C. R. R. is selling Round trip tickets to the celebrated Warm Wells at Marlin, Tex., good for 30 days at $6.85 for Round trip from McKinney.

THINK ABOUT THIS:—Consider quality in drug buying. We do. Let us also add that in most cases you can trust the prices of the store that insist on giving you good quality.
Smith Bros.

Cure that Cough with Shiloh's Cure. The best Cough Cure. Relieves Croup promptly. One million bottles sold last year. 40 doses for 25 cts. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

Mr. Dave Covey and others of Nevada captured an alligator 7 feet long at Quinlan Texas.

To Nashville is in 30 hours and 45 minutes. Trains leaves McKinney at 10:45 a. m., arrives at Nashville following evening at 5:30. Quickest time and as few changes of cars as by any route. Ten days tickets on sale each Tuesday and Thursday at $15.50; 20 day tickets on sale every day at $21.35, also tickets on sale every day good to return until Nov. 7th at $29.10. Through sleeper from Greenville if desired. See W. N. Collier, agent S. S. and Rw'y McKinney, Tex., for tickets. Correspondence solicited.

Bring your veternary prescriptions to us. We give them the best of attention Smith Bros.

Dr. J. B. Russell of Old Mantua was killed by runaway horse Tuesday. He was a well known physician.

Economy and strength are combined in Hood's Sarsaparilla. Every bottle contains 100 doses and will average to last a month.

Notice to the Public.

Henry H. Wilkins, who has been with Sam Smith the past twelve months, is now in business for himself just west of Owens' lumber yard. He is prepared to do first class horse shoeing and blacksmithing, and solicits a portion of your trade. Satisfaction guaranteed at reasonable prices.

You are careful in selecting your banker. You ought to be more careful in selecting your druggist. One handles your money, the other your life. If you buy your drugs of us you will always get the best.
Smith Bros.

Eld. John McKinney is building a new house in Fairfield.

NO CURE--NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Malaria, Chills and Fever. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating Tonics. Price 50c.

Henry Chiles passed through McKinney, yesterday, from Wylie enroute to his home in Sherman.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

W. F. Cobb has returned from a prolonged visit in Kentucky. His many friends welcome him back and are proud to learn that he will shortly engage in business in McKinney.

Grease erasers, household ammonia at Smith Bros.

Dredfully Nervous.

GENTS—I was dreadfully nervous, and for relief took your Karl's Clover Root Tea. It quieted my nerves and strengthed my whole nervous system. I was troubled with Constipation, Kidney and Bowel trouble. Your Tea soon cleansed my system so thoroughly that I rapidly regained health and strength. Mrs. S. A. Sweet, Hartford, Conn. Sold by Smith Bros 2

The next coldest place in town to our store is the ice house. Why not enjoy your cold drinks with us.
Smith Bros.

J. L. Mayes and son Cleveland, Jim Howard, G. H. Helton and Bud Lawrence, all of Merit, passed through McKinney, Tuesday in a wagon bound for the coast country.

For the next 15 days with each ten cents worth of prepared chalk we put in free a small piece of Chamois skin.
Smith Bros.

Prickley Ash Bitters cures the kidneys, regulates the liver and purifies the bowels. A valuable system tonic. Smith Bros.

John T. Melton was here Monday. He informed THE DEMOCRAT reporter that the members of Old Rowlett Creek church will give an ice cream supper Saturday night, Aug. 7 Let everybody attend.

A Violation of Law.

Every law provides a penalty for those who disregard it. Sickness is the penalty that nature inflicts on those who violate her laws. Indiscretions of the appetite, neglect of the bowels, worry, overwork, these are violations of law and the penalty is disordered digestion, torpid liver and biliousness. When such ailments make their appearance they should be quickly removed, otherwise more serious troubles are sure to develop. A reliable system tonic is the remedy to use, and where can you find a better than Prickley Ash Bitters. It strengthens the kidneys, cleanses and regulates the liver, tones up the stomach and digestion, and purifies the bowels, thus restoring activity in all the vital organs and vigorous bodily health. For sale by Smith Bros.

Marriage Bells

Licenses to wed recorded in county clerk's office McKinney, Texas, for the week ending July, 28, 1897:

G. W. Green and Miss Vannie Phillpott.

Pat Epps and Pearly Parks, (colored.)

R. H. Dennis and Maggie Hairgrove.

T. E. Pope and Miss Myrtle Hawkins.

Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Eczema.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts. per box.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders, are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. They are not food but medicine and the best in use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25 cents per package.

Notice.

Owing to the circumstances that I can not control, I am sorry to state, that our geussing contest is at an end and will not be put through as advertised.

Yours Truly
JNO G. DAVIS.
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Sherman, Tex., Aug. 17.
I certify that I have used Hall's Great Discovery in my family and I can recommend it to the public.
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Jim Wilcox of Bowlby is visiting in Wise county.

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LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. July 28, '97, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

Anderson Julia.	Bradley Mollie.
Briggs Ella,	Caldwell Bettie.
Hoard Fannie	Price Ella

GENTLEMEN.

Williams J. W.	Adams C. W
Brown P. L.	Ball M. A.
Baker Cora	Barrett William
Carter A. B.	Dickerman Perry
Fields Hugh	Fortson E. H.
Hammer Jessie	Hale Jim
Hurst A. L. C.	Johnson J. T.
Miller Harrison	Ony W. D.

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.
Mrs. M. A. Cameron,
Postmistress.

A Remarkable Cure of Chronic Diarrhœa.

In 1862, when I served my country as a private in Company A, 167th Pennsylvania Volunteers, I contracted chronic diarrhœa. It has given me a great deal of trouble ever since. I have tried a dozen different medicines and several prominent doctors without any permanent relief. Not long ago a friend sent me a sample bottle of Chamberlain's Cholic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, and after that I bought and took a 50 cent bottle; and now I can say that I am entirely cured. I cannot be thankful enough to you for this great Remedy, and recommend it to all suffering veterans. If in doubt write me. Yours gratefully, HENRY STEINBERGER, Allentown, Pa. Sold by City Drug Store.

Died.

Our esteemed fellow citizen T. D. (Dick) Howard departed this life at his residence, on South Tennessee street, at 6 o'clock p. m., on July 29. The deceased was a native Tennesseean was born in Maury County of that state on the 5th day of Dec. 1850, and came to Texas in 1870 and has since resided in McKinney and its vicinity. He was buried in Pecan Grove Cemetery at 5 p. m. on the 30 in the presence of a large concourse of his friends and acquaintances, including the local lodges of the Knights of Pythias and Improved Order of Red Men of which orders he was a member. Mr. Howard was a good citizen, a genial companion and a kind and indulgent husband and father and few men, if any have ever lived in in this community who had more friends than he. The entire community join the bereaved family in their sorrow for the death of the deceased.

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CLEANSES THE LIVER AND BOWELS
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Tired people are tired because they have exhausted their strength. The only way for them to get strong is to eat proper food.

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Tired, pale, thin, exhausted, sick sufferer from indigestion, can be cured by the use of Shaker Digestive Cordial.

It will revive their spent energies, refresh and invigorate him, create new courage, endurance and strength, all by helping their stomachs to digest their food.

It aids nature, and this is the best of it. It gives immediate relief and, with perseverance, permanently cures.

Sold by druggists. Trial bottle 10 cents.

Residence Burned at Plano.

Plano, Collin Co., Tex., Aug. 3.—The one story frame residence and household goods of G. W. Bazzley, who lives at Renner, five miles west of Plano, was destroyed by fire at 3 o'clock this morning. Mr. Bazzley and family barely escaping with their lives. Loss on residence and contents estimated at $1400. Insured in the Hartford Fire Insurance of Hartford, Conn., for $900.

It is always gratifying to receive testimonials for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, when the endorsement is from a physician it is especially so. "There is no more satisfactory or effective remedy than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy," writes Dr. R. E. Robey, physician and pharmacist, of Olney, Mo.; and as he has used the Remedy in his own family and sold it in his drug store for six years, he should know. For sale by City Drug Store.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following is a list of the real estate transfers filed for record in the county clerk's office at McKinney for the week ending July 29, 1897:

Lindsay Floyd and wife to T C Jasper, lot in Plano, $600.

T C Jasper to G W Bowman, part of lot in Plano, $76.50

L V Smith and wife to F G Lewis, 30 acres in Geo Crutchfield survey and 1-2 acre in the John Crutchfield survey, $700.

M O Tucker et al to W H Horn 11 3-4 acres in the M Heat survey, $235.

E D Bomar and wife to S J Bomar, 6 48-100 acres of the H Chenowith survey, $1 and love and affection.

A M Mize and wife to T H Skaggs, undivided interest in 7 tracts of land belonging to estate of L E Herron, deceased, situated in Collin and Denton counties, $725.

R F Morrow to T H Skaggs, 1-11 interest in 7 tracts of land in Collin and Denton counties belonging to estate of L E Herron, deceased, $725.

M F and E W Thomson to Grafton Williams and wife, 44 acres Grafton Williams survey, trade.

E L Swain and wife to John T Stiff, 89 51-100 acres, Jesse Stiff survey, $2,250.

John T Stiff and wife to J H Stiff 30 36-100 acres, Rachael Parker survey, $700.

J R Morall and wife to M L Harens, 45 acres in David Cherry survey, $1,250.

J M Thurman to C D Lindsay, 1-4 undivided interest in 40 acres John McBride survey, $600.

W N Pedigo and wife to C D Lindsay, undivided 1-4 interest in 80 acres in John McBride survey, $1,200.

"When the spring time comes, gentle Annie,"
"And the chills and fever bloom once more,"
"You had better buy a bottle of Cheatham's Chill Tonic"
"From the man who runs the nearest drug store."

McKINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	5 to 6cts.
Wheat per bus	65 to 66cts.
Corn per bus	25 to 30cts.
Oats per bus	16 to 17cts.
Hay baled per ton	$5.00 to $6.00.
Millet hay per ton	$5.00 to $6.00.
Flour per cwt	$2.20 to $2.50.
Millet seed per bus	40 to 50cts.
Baled Oats per ton	$6.
Meal per bus	45 to 50cts.
Straw per ton	$4.00
Chops per cwt	80cts.
Bran per cwt	55 to 60cts.
Butter per lb	12½ to 15cts.
Eggs per doz	4 to 6cts.
Lard per lb	6½ to 7½cts.
Sheep	$2.00 to $2.50.
Hogs per cwt.	$2.80 to $2.90.
Beef on foot per cwt	$1.75 to $2.25.
Beef dressed per lb	4½cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4½cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.25 to 1.75.

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CITY PARK.

Beautiful Shade Resort for Recreation and Picnics, McKinney Will Have at Last.

One more of McKinney's long felt wants will shortly be supplied. That need was a city park, now we have it.

The share-holders of the old fair association have donated their interests to the town in the old fair grounds, one-half mile east of the court house, with the stipulation that the same be used for a city park.

The plot of ground embraces twelve acres. It is well shaded with large timber, the surface sloping sufficient for drainage and contains a never failing spring of agreeably tasting water.

As an earnest of their appreciation of the gift the council has a force of laborers at work putting the grounds into condition and McKinney will soon be able to boast of an attractive resort where her citizens may repair for leisure and recreation.

It will be a public park in every respect and no one will be barred its privileges. We trust our council will not stop short of placing it in the very best condition possible in the way of fences, cleaning off weeds, trimming up trees and placing in benches, as the cost will be nominal, and the resort so needful to the good health, enjoyment and attractiveness of our city. Hurrah for McKinney!

A 50 cent Iron tonic. Pure Solution Iron concentrated and pure Amorphous Quinine is contained in Cheatham's Chill Tonic, making it the most desirable Iron Tonic on the market. It is a true tonic, strengthener, appetizer, toner up of the system, and blood purifier. Only 50 cents.

CASTORIA.
The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Ed Morton of Bates was in the city yesterday.

J. B. Ray, of Bates, Denton county, was in the McKinney yesterday.

You can do no better than to buy your Groceries of Goostree & Houston.

L. C. Chastine, of Bowlby, subscribes for The Democrat. Thanks.

The best Gum at Smith Bros.

Miss Taffie Wilcox of Bowlby is visiting the family of R. L. Ray this week.

Mrs. Geo Murphy leaves today for Nashville Tennessee to visit relatives and also the Centennial.

W. C. Francis of Celina was in to renew his subscription to The Democrat yesterday.

Mrs. G. C. Mountcastle and daughter Miss Allie, of Kansas City, are visiting at the home of John C. Cooke

Park Smith lost a valuable horse this week. The horse became tangled in a barbed wire fence.

The brick masons are at work on the new Heard building between the Newsome and Powell bricks.

Misses Mattie and Fannie Patterson of Snyder Tex., who have been visiting in the city for the past month have returned home.

Rev. Morgan of this city united in marriage, Sunday, Mr. Green and Miss Philpot both of Allen. The marriage occured at the parson's home.

A horseman dashed into Joe Leonard's buggy Monday as he was turning a corner. A shaft of the buggy penetrated the horse which died a few minutes later on the jockey yard.

Mrs. Scott Allison returned Saturday from a two week's visit to friends in Cooke county and Oklahoma, Territory. Her sister, Mrs. John Tarpley, of the latter place, returned with her.

The saloon and fixtures of Dick Howard, deceased, will be sold Saturday Aug. 7. E. W. Kirkpatrick is temporary administrator.

Rainfall For July.

The rainfall for July as kept by C. B. Moore of Ad valorem, 6 miles north of McKinney was one and one-sixteenth inches.

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Summer Normal.

Several visitors have been at the Normal during the week and new attendants have enrolled their names.

Mr. C. C. Cross is one of the latest. T. C. Andrews has returned from the Centennial and gave the Normal a graphic description of what he saw, Monday. George Brown one of the teachers has resumed his position after a brief absence during which his brother heard his classes.

Conductor Reed has invested in a snap shot Kodak and will henceforth preserve a few things he sees otherwise than by merely in his memory alone. Supt. Shepherd is on hand as often as his official duties allow from his office.

Dry - - Goods, Clothing, Etc.

We are getting ready for the fall trade and in order to close out as much of our present stock as possible will make

Special Low Prices . .

ON EVERYTHING IN THE HOUSE. WE HAVE GOODS THAT WILL SUIT YOU AND IF YOU WILL SEE US DURING

This Month . .

YOU WILL BE ACCOMMODATED TO THESE SPECIALS WE ARE MAKING.

While many lines are considerably broken, still you will find our stock in a fine condition and many

Good Goods For Little Money.

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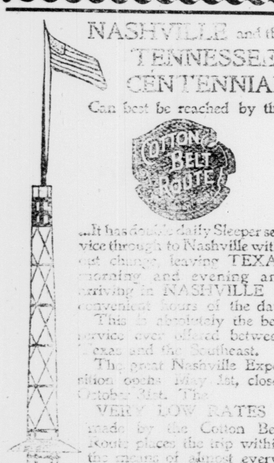

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Hot Weather.

Monday, July 26, was the hottest day ever experienced in McKinney. Mr. D. Goodin had a No. 1 thermometer hanging in his store, suspended by a string which kept it from coming in contact with the walls and which registered 108. The same kind of a thermometer at his residence hanging against the wall registered 110. The heat was most oppressive and stock suffered greatly. A horse belonging to Dr. Throckmorton was prostrated. Other animals were overcome by heat. Monday night was the hottest within our history. There was no breeze up to midnight and sleep was almost impossible.

Through Sleeping Car Line Between Fort Worth, Dallas and Nashville.

The Iron Mountain Route in connection with the Texas & Pacific and N. C. & St. L. Railways, and operating a through sleeping car line between Fort Wort, Dallas and Nashville. Trains leave Fort Worth 4:50 p. m. reaching Memphis 1:45 p. m. next day and Nashville 11:05 p. m. the same evening. This is THE ONLY THROUGH SLEEPING CAR LINE from Texas points via Memphis to Nashville, and is the quickest and best route for parties visiting the Centennial Exposition at the latter city.

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Frisco Route.

The Frisco Line have arranged to run a through sleeper between Paris, Texas and Eureka Springs, Ark., during the summer season of 1897. This sleeper will leave Paris north-bound daily at 7:10 p. m. running to Monett for breakfast and thence via Seligman to Eureka Springs arriving at 9:11 p. m.

South bound, leave Eureka Springs at 5 p. m. and go direct via Seligman to Paris, arriving at 8:15 a. m. for breakfast, and connecting with lines for all points in Texas. Meals at Monett and Paris are served at the famous Harvey Dining Halls.

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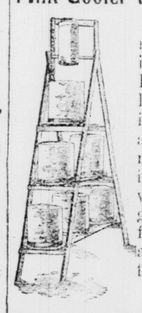

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SNAP SHOTS.

Near Paris, Tex., lightning struck a farmhouse and "knocked a young man insensible." His sister, who happened to be standing on a newspaper near him, escaped. Subscribe at once.

A subscriber inquires: "Why is there so much flopping in the democratic party nowadays?" Well, friend, you know the party has two wings.

One of the Chicago alderman is missing and the people of the Windy city are afraid he will be found.

Nobody's spelling will be the worse for wear if the word Klondike is made the the test. Just spell it any old way. You will be bound to hit upon one of the many ways it appears in the intelligent press of the country.

A philosopher is quoted in the Kansas City Star as saying: "Every man thinks more of his wife than he ever admits, and few women love their husbands as much as they claim at the funeral."

Oklahoma sustains its reputation for unearthly occurences. A citizen is reported as recovering from a dose of 100 grains of chloral.

Klondike comes to the front with a Barney Barnato. He is a farmer named Berry who went to Alaska on his wedding tour and he is now immensely millionairish. It is not indicated how many widows Mr. Berry intends to leave at his death.

Many a Klondike claim will eventually narrow down to 4x6 dimensions.

The Globe-Democrat says: "One good thing to be said of the fifty seven frog farms in this country is that business with them is always on the jump." Why so much croaking, then?

Mrs. Charlotte Smith thinks men should be compelled to marry. Mrs. Smith may get even with her enemies of both sexes if she can get a law of this sort enacted.

The Denver Post says: "The poets have sustained another serious puncture in their tuneful tires. The constructors of English language carelessly neglected to build a word that would rhyme with 'Klondike.'" Well, an Arkansas poet would have no trouble with that word, for he would line it up with "onlike."

A Kansas woman shot at a burglar and the mirror that she ruined can be replaced for $65.50.

If your watermelon weighs sixty pounds do not eat more than half of it at one bait.—Dallas News.

The Strikers and Their Employees

The great coal miens strike now in progress throughout the United States is attracting unusual attention and its results are looked for with apprehension. The "battle for bread" is an issue which can not and ought not to be disregarded by citizens of this great republic. The "crushing out" tendency of monopolies must be arrested in some legitimate way or else complete slavery will be the outcome. Outraged and starving men will never honor the flag and keep their peace in the shadow of princely palaces reared by the product of their own labor and which retains in their walls a cold hearted plutocratic brigade of snobs.

If employers refuse a just arbitration plan what can be their motive but that of plunder? In the following clipped from the Miner's Address. Can notning be detected but a just and patriotic sentiment?

WHAT THE MINERS SAY:

We realize the constant menace that a great body of idle men, battling for living wages, and against starvation, even under the most careful and conservative leadership, has for the peace and good order of the Nation and the perpetuity of its institutions.

Therefore, when there is conveyed to us a suggestion that these great questions may be arbitrated, we hasten to avail ourselves of it.

Knowing that our cause—a cause of bread, distinctively and entirely—can be successfully defended, and the struggle in its support vindicated before any competent impartial tribunal, the miners are ready to arbitrate their cause upon lines that will insure them a living by their industry. We announce this to the Nation.

This cause of ours, this strife for wages that will insure ablebodied, industrious men living for themselves and families, a strife that involves a quarter of a million men and their dependents, together with millions of capital, is a matter of importance to every citizen. It demands exposition and adjustment.

We trust that some arbitration plan may be devised to stay the present conflict while it is yet young and its consequence are not grave beyond repair.

A commission with equal representation from operators and miners, and a man like Bishop Potter as a disinterested adjudicator would, in our belief, result in an efficacious adjustment of this strife.

On behalf of the striking miners of the United States.

(Signed) M. D. RATCHFORD.
President United Mine Workers of America.

W. C. PEARCE,
Secretary.
T. L. DAVIS,
Member National Executive Board.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Conference of The Greenville District in McKinney.

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF.

For some time past members of the local Epworth Leagues have been astir in preparation of homes and perfection of other arrangements for the annual League conference of the Greenville district. How well they succeeded is known. Citizens of all religious denominations loyally offered their homes to attending delegates and by their presence at all the sessions helped to make it a success. The Knights of Pythias kindly gave the use of their hall near the post office for headquarters, which was both a convenient and creditable waiting room for visiting delegates to rest while the assignment committee parceled them out to homes.

The delegates began arriving, Thursday July 29, the first day of the session and continued coming until Saturday.

The opening sermon was preached Thursday night by Rev. J. F. Alderson of Farmersville. President D. L. Williams presiding and MissCarrieRoach the consecrated, efficient secretary at the desk. The Methodist church was packed at this service and the program so interesting, each succeeding night the congregation was fully as large. White and yellow were the prevailing colors and the League monogram and Motto "All for Christ" adorned the walls while the pulpit and space inside the chancel was a veritable bower of flowers—all evidences of the beautiful touch of young lady members under the direction of Mrs. J. L. Todd and Miss Josie Davis.

Rev. J. D. Graham of Floyd conducted sunrise prayer meeting Friday morning. Upon the reassembling of the conference Hon. Tully Beverly bade the members welcome in eloquent words, sincere and full of hospitality. A. E. Edwards of Greenville and President Williams responded.

Editor R. C. Dial, the untiring Greenville worker for Christ and temperance, was present and led devotional services. The following committees were appointed: on nominations—E. G. Phillips, Nevada; Miss Carrie Roach, Greenville; MissPearl Nelson, McKinney; Geo. W. Candler, Merit; Prof. W. F. Barnett, Kingston.

By-Laws—Rev. I. S. Ashburne Presiding Elder; A. E. Edwards, Greenville; Rev. Joel S. Graves Anna; Walter B. Wilson, McKinney.

Resolutions — Marion Paylor, Lone Oak; Miss Effie Hines, Farmersville; Miss Ina Davis, Floyd; S. L. Barnes, Lone Oak; Miss Mary Lawler, Lone Oak.

Reports from the district officers followed showing total number of Leaguers in district to be 1175.

The work in all three of the departments of DevotionCharity and Help and Literary were very good. Communion services were conducted by Revs. Graham of Floyd and Graves of Anna.

Friday afternoon exercises were opened with praise service led by Mrs. Lee Rippey of Sulphur Springs.

The following program for the evening was then carried out:

2:15 to 2:30. "How to promote True Devotion." Rev. J. D. Graham of Floyd.

2:30 to 2:45. "The Dangers of Formalism." S. L. Barnes of Lone Oak.

2:45 to 3:00. "Church Manners." A. E. Edwards, of Greenville.

3:15 to 3:30. "The Leaguer in Revival Work." Miss Carrie Roach of Greenville.

3:30 to 3:45. "Weak Points in the Methods of Conducting Devotional Meetings. Open Conference, conducted by Lee Rippey.

4:00 to 4:30. Points to be Remembered as brought out in open Conference, Rev. Joel S. Graves of Anna.

Rev. Rosser of Greenville preached the evening sermon.

Saturday's Program:

5:30, Sunrise Prayer meeting, conducted by Miss Cora Mead of Lone Oak.

8:30. Devotional services, conducted by Geo. W. Candler of Merit.

CHARITY AND HELP

9:00 to 9:15. "Proper Objects of Benevolence," Miss Effie Hines of Farmersville.

9:15 to 9:30. "Visiting, Whom to Visit," Miss Ina Davis of Floyd.

9:30 to 9:45. "What the Charity and Help Department can do for Future Methodism." Mrs. Mollie Douglas of Weston.

LITERARY AND SOCIAL.

10:15 to 10:30. "Worldly Amusements — Effects upon League and Church," Walter B. Wilson of McKinney.

10:30 to 10:45. "The League and the Entertainment Question," Open Conference, Led by Miss Virgie Gay of Nevada.

10:45 to 11:00. "Questionable Methods of Raising Finance in Church and League" discussed.

11:00 to 11:15. "Dodging Responsibility, or the 'Excuse Me' sponge Leaguer," Rev. Lee Rippey Sulphur Springs.

11:30 to 12:00. "The Up-to-date League and its Officers," Gus. W. Thomasson of Van Alstyne. (State Secretary.)

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30. Devotional Services, E. G. Phillips of Nevada.

2:30 to 3:45. Report of Committees, Election of Officers, Selection for place of Next Meeting and Miscellaneous Business.

JUNIOR HOUR.

"The Superintendent of Junior Leagues, a Shepherd, How? When? Where? Why?" Miss Emma Hamilton of Merit.

Talks by Superintendants.

"How to Create an Atmosphere of Reverence," Miss Lula Allison of McKinney.

"Prayer versus 'Saying Prayer,'" Rev. Martin.

"How to Teach Children to pray," Miss Cora Mead, Lone Oak.

"Kindergarten Methods in Junior League," Miss Carrie Roach, Greenville.

Open Conference.

The Juniors of McKinney and Delegates.

Subject—"A Door,' John 10:9.

SATURDAY EVENING.

8:30. Love Feast.

The Love Feast, Saturday evening was led by Miss Carrie Roach with tact and in a way highly beneficial to the religious character of every one present.

Rev I. S. Ashburne, presiding elder, concluded the program Sunday at eleven with a sermon profound and inspiring.

Conference Notes.

Several prominent Leaguers of of state reputation were present at times during conference.

Walter E. Sale of the Dallas First Methodist Senior League was an interested visitor. He made several profitable talks.

Gus W. Thomasson, state secretary and stalwart type of aggressive young Christian, made a fine address Saturday. His theme was "An Up-to-date League and its officers."

Miss Carrie Roach, of Greenville, is finely equipped intellectually and in abundant grace to "scatter sunshine" everywhere she goes. She will shortly enter the mission field.

Nevada, Lone Oak, Merit and Farmersville wanted the 1898 Annual Conference. The latter however, was an easy winner and Farmersville will entertain both the district conferences of the church and League next year.

Nevada was well represented, both in numbers and ability. Her attendants were Rev. E. G. Phillips, Mrs. J. B. Sims, Misses Virgie Gay and Lillie Cannon, Messrs. Charles and James Barrett.

Mesdames Boone, James Douglas and F. M. Douglas and Miss Neva McElreath of Weston and Miss Daisy Thomas of Bowie were in attendance at the conference. They were guests of Mrs. B. F. Ferguson.

President D. L. Williams was called to Greenville Friday by phone and did not return owing to pressing business matters. He left the conference in charge of first vice president S. L. Barnes who presided with grace and satisfaction.

A. E. Edwards, of Greenville, Miss Cora Mead, of Lone Oak, and Miss Ina Davis are rarely gifted for Christian work among the young. They are not burying their talents in the waste basket of inactivity, but are letting their lights shine as God intended.

President Frank Reedy, of the Dallas district, was present Sunday and spoke fervently upon League work. Although Greenville district is second among all the districts of the state, Bro. Reedy predicted that his district would forge to the front during the coming year and relegate it to a rear position. This opinion, however, seemed to be shared in only by Bro. Reedy.

Editors R. C. Dial of Greenville and Joel S. Graves of Anna are two pungent speakers and workers in the cause of the Master. Always present and ready to help along, they are ever welcome among the Leaguers. Presiding Elder Ashburne, Revs. Martin, Graham, Rosser, Kilgore and Alderson took active parts in the conference and aided with their council and expertence.

New district officers for the ensuing annual term elected, Saturday afternoon, are S. L. Barnes, Lone Oak, president; A. E. Edwards, Greenville, 1st vice-president (in charge devotional department); Miss Effie Hines, Farmersville, 2d vice president (in charge of charity and help department); Walter B. Wilson, McKinney, 3d vice president (in charge of literary department); A. P. Coppage, Lone Oak secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. Dr. Gibson, Miss Lula Allison and E. G. Phillips were a trio to lead the singing that would be hard to improve upon. The latter's solos were looked forward to anxiously by all. Miss Fay Stouffer and Midge Ferguson, two McKinney Juniors sang a duet Saturday evening, accompanied by Miss Lula Allison, the superintendent, at the piano. Throughout the conference sessions the music was splendid, joined heartily in by all, and inspiring.

The Gazetteer has received what it considers a reliable "tip" that Dr. John Grant will be appointed U. S. Marshal for the eastern district of Texas.—Denison Gazetteer.

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HICKMAN HARMONIES.

School Matters.—Death.—Personals.—Repairing Gin.

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Uncle Thomas Morrow, an aged and respected citizen who resided about one and one-half miles north of Farmersville, died Thursday night, July 20. He was buried Friday. We join the the bereaved family and friends in mourning their loss.

There is a little disturbance in this community over repairing our school house and hiring a teacher. Prof. W. W. Shepherd, county superintendent, came over Thursday eve and gave the people a fine lecture on education, which held the crowd spell bound for the time being. The question of repairing the house came up before the crowd. After Prof. Shepherd told the people the duty and obligation of the trustees it was agreed that the trustees should go ahead and repair the house and hire the teacher. This is no more than their duty, but some of the people had been trying to run it with petitions. We hope everything will move off in a quiet manner after this. We were very glad to have Prof. Shepherd with us, but we are sorry that he had to come under the circumstances that he did.

The doctors say the health of the community is a little better and they are getting a little more rest.

Mrs. Johnson's family are improving a little, except Miss Belle. They have had a siege of slow fever.

Mr. Price is having some work done on his cotton gin.

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Sunday's Fire.

About 5 o'clock Sunday evening an alarm of fire aroused the good people of McKinney and soon a large crowd assembled on North Kentucky street. A fire had originated in E. B. Thompson's barn which was soon in ashes. Everything being hot and dry the flames readily extended to Robt. Erwin's residence which was badly damaged before the fire department could control the flames. All the furniture, carpets and household goods were removed by willing hands. P. E. Denton was also damaged by the burning of out houses, barn and fences. The origin of the fire is unknown. All praised the fire boys for conquering the flames, a feat accomplished with difficulty. Other sufferers from the blaze are Fred Emerson, Jesse Shain and Ben Boydston.

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General News.

Cotton is opening prematurely in Hunt county.

Senator R. Q. Mills has arrived at his home in Corsicana from Washington.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat is out for government ownership of telegraph lines. Next!

Pig Newell, colored, was hanged at Selma, Ala., July 30 for assault.

John Johnson was hanged Friday at Livingston, Ala., for the murder of A. M. Clark.

Edward Flanagan was sentenced to death at Decatur, Georgia, for the murder of Mrs. Nancy Allen and Miss Ruth Slack. He will be hung Aug. 25.

Buck Walton as announced in advance by Chairman Blake at Waco, has published another letter affirming allegiance to the democratic party.

Near Talladega, Ala., a 14-year-old son of Press Nored, shot and killed his 3-year-old brother last week with a "didn't know it was loaded" pistol.

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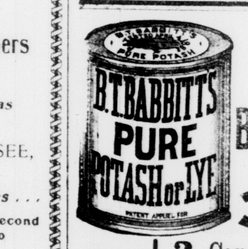

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Troopers Bertrand and Jacobson of troop 13 United States cavalry were drowned in Colorado Friday.

A Chicago express had a disastrous wreck near Thorntown, Ind. July 30. Four men were killed.

Attorney General Crane seems to have the run on the boys for the democratic nomination for governor. He is the only turtle in the puddle of succession.

Lee Davidson was arrested at Ozark, Ark., last week for infanticide. He was accused of throwing his wife's baby into a hog pin where it was devoured by the swine.

The Avery plow factory at Louisville, Ky., announces that it had never been shut down and its action in placing more men at work was not due to any political influence.

F. H. Cheney and Charles Chrlesburg afought a duel in the loft of a stable at Houston last week. Guns and knives were used. Both were killed. Domestic trouble was the cause.

Prof. Edgar McClure, of the Oregan State University fell over a 300-foot precipice while descending Mount Tacoma in the darkness. His body was found next morning and placed in a snow bank awaiting an undertaker.

W. C. Dutton, a temperance lecturer of some note, has been holding meetings here every evening during the present week.

The meetings are well attended. Mr. Dutton is thinking of organizing a temperance society here.—Angleton (Brazoria Co.,) Times.

About two hundred politicians attended the Blake conference at Waco last week. Resolutions endorsing the occupants at the pie counter and plans to get back were passed.

A freight train was stalled in Lewis tunnel, Hinton, W. Va., July 30, on the Chesapeake and Ohio and the crew was overcome by foul air. Conductor Ed Bray is dead, Samuel Hamilton, Ed Womack and Tom Kenwood are in a precarious condition.